9. हृदय रोगों से पीड़ित बीड़ी श्रमिकों को वित्तीय सहायता के रूप में व्यय की प्रतिपूर्ति करने संबंधी योजना ।

10. गुर्दा प्रत्यारोपण आदि के लिये बीड़ी श्रमिकों की वित्तीय सहायता के रूप में व्यय की प्रतिपूर्ति करने संबंधी योजना ।

11. सामाजिक सुरक्षा के अन्तर्गत बीड़ी श्रमिकों के लिये समूह बीमा योजना ।

Labour Co-operative to Operate Closed Mills

1865. SHRIMATI MIRA DAS:
SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 45 given in the Rajya Sabha on 25th July, 1994 and state:

(a) what is the number of labour co-operatives formed throughout the country to take over closed industrial undertakings; and

(b) why Government and trade unions have shown lack of enthusiasm on the formation of labour co-operatives?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) and (b) As per the provisions of the Sick Industrial Companies (Spelial Provisions) Act, 1985, it is mandatory for the management of a sick industrial company to make reference to the Board for industria and Financial Reconstruction (BIFR). Revival of sick industrial companies through workers' cooperative is one of the measures envisaged under the Act.

According to the available information BIFR has so far sanctioned five schemes for revival of sick industrial companies through workers' cooperative. These are:

1. Kamani Tubes Ltd. — Bombay

2. New Central Jute Mills — Calcutta

3. Powder Metals & Alloys Ltd. — Thane

4. Kamani Metal & Alloys Ltd — Bombay

5. HES Ltd. — Bombay

While the schemes at Serial No. 1 and 2 above are under implementation, the other three schemes have not yet taken off. Ministry of Labour as a matter of general policy does encourage, *inter-alia*, rehabilitaiton schemes through employees' cooperatives. Industry-wise Tripartite Committees have resolved that at the enterprise level, managements and employees could get together and formulate rehabilitation proposals and bring the same for their consideration. Such proposals can also be cooperative based ones.

Safety of Child Labour

1866. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH:
SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) what steps have been taken during each of the last three years with regard to the health and safety of child labour working in industries and in different fields and also to remove their exploitation;

(b) how many special schools have been opened during the last three years (year-wise) under the Child Labour Programme to cater to the needs of such children;

(c) what are the concrete achievements of the centrally sponsored non-formal erucation scheme launched more than 15years ago to serve children not attending schools; and

(d) what are the main recommendations and concrete action taken by Government on the recommendations on Child Labour of the Gurupadaswamy Committee and the task force on Child Labour set up under the Chairmanship